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UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

MEMORANDUM FOR: The United States Intelligence Board  
The Chairmen, Intelligence Board Committees  
and Working Groups

SUBJECT : Annual Report to the NSC on the Status of  
the Foreign Intelligence Program

REFERENCE : IAC-D-55/13, Final, 2 September 1958

1. The attached memorandum (Tab A) from the Executive Secretary, NSC, which first became available to the USIB Secretariat on 10 July, indicates that the Central Intelligence Agency, in consultation with other departments and agencies, will be required to report to the President and the National Security Council on the status of the foreign intelligence program for the fiscal year ending 30 June 1959.

25X1A 2. [REDACTED] memorandum provides general guidance as to the form and content of this paper. Particular reference is made to NSC 5810/1, the relevant paragraph of which deals with establishing and maintaining an intelligence system capable of providing early warning, assessing the capabilities of foreign governments and anticipating important developments abroad. It is also suggested that the content of this report follow the general lines of last year's report (Part 7 of NSC 5819).

3. Accordingly, the Secretariat proposes to prepare a report which will be roughly the same length or only slightly longer than last year's paper (see IAC-D-55/13, Final, 2 September 1958) and about the same level of generalization. As you may recall, last year's report was considerably shorter than the report submitted in the immediately preceding years. To assist contributors, we have prepared a tentative outline (Tab B) of the report essentially along the lines of last year's report, together with general instructions and assignments for contributions.

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Please note that, in view of the creation of a single Intelligence Board to replace the former IAC and USCIB, it is believed appropriate to include a brief statement on developments in the COMINT and ELINT fields in a special annex. To facilitate the over-all coordination process, it is requested that the contributions by USIB subcommittees be coordinated through those committees prior to their submission to the USIB Secretariat,

4. Due to the 1 September deadline and the coordination required in the preparation of the final draft of this paper, contributions should reach the USIB Secretariat no later than the close of business Thursday, 30 July. We presently plan to schedule this paper for Intelligence Board consideration on 25 August.

5. Please contact the USIB Secretariat (Code 163, extension 3402) if you have any question regarding the handling of this report.



JOHN HEIRES

Executive Secretary

Attachments

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